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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Takanobu TAKEDA et al.

Confirmation No.: 5228

Serial No.: 10/003,121

Examiner: Sin J. Lee

Filed: December 6, 2001

Group Art Unit: 1752

Title: PREPARATION OF POLYMER, AND RESIST COMPOSITION USING THE POLYMER

REPLY

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 6, 2003, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows.

Amendments and additions to the **Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.

CERTIFICATION OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Services as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner of Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on: **January 6, 2004**

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